

The Foundation

I'm not a great proponent of the writings of Paul that have trickled down to us; especially considering that the great and abominable church has held back plain and precious things and Paul's writings are the majority of the New Testament. However I have found the following verse interesting:

20)And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; (Ephesians 2).

The way it usually shows up in the manuals, etc., is:

20)And are built upon the foundation of ... apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

I find this nuance very telling in getting people to build on a house of cards that shall fall. IMO if anyone puts their trust in ANY person or organization other than the Eternal Father Jesus Christ, they will be in the great and spacious building (interesting building(s) is/are singled out instead of humble followers surrounding a tree) when it crumbles. God NEVER told us to follow any man (unless your foundations is built on JS et. al., in the D&C, PGP, etc.). I don't understand why people want to be followers (sheep) of ANYONE except the Good Shepherd. I don't understand why people want anyone to be between themselves and God.

God gave us the Book of Mormon to help correct the problems from incorrect sources. The Book of Mormon states:

*12)And now, my sons, remember, remember that it is upon the rock of our Redeemer, who is Christ, the Son of God, that ye must build your foundation; that when the devil shall send forth his mighty winds, yea, his shafts in the whirlwind, yea, when all his hail and his mighty storm shall beat upon you, it shall have no power over you to drag you down to the gulf of misery and endless wo, because of the rock upon which ye are built, **which is a sure foundation**, a foundation whereon if men build they cannot fall. (Helaman 5)*

and

*40)And whoso shall declare more or less than this, and establish it for my doctrine, the same cometh of evil, and **is not built upon my rock; but he buildeth upon a sandy foundation**, and the gates of hell stand open to receive such when the floods come and the winds beat upon them. (3 Nephi 11)*